

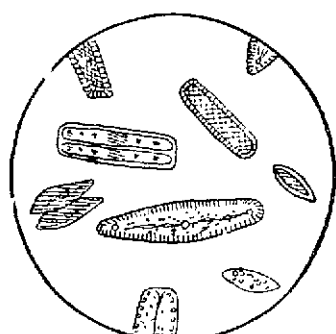
GUIDED BY DIATOMS.

Little Plants Directed Nansen Toward the North Pole.

How the Great Norwegian Explorer Had His Faith in a Powerful Polar Current Confirmed—The Plant Described.

It is interesting to record the important part taken by the microscopic plants called diatoms in guiding Nansen toward the north pole. Diatoms are excessively minute single-celled forms of plant life, which under the microscope exhibit very characteristic and sometimes beautiful forms and markings. They are universally distributed over the globe, in fresh as well as salt water, but are particularly abundant in the polar seas, being, indeed, the only form of vegetable life to be found in high latitudes. Individual diatoms are too small to be visible, but they congregate in such masses in polar seas as to give the sides of icebergs the appearance of being stained with iron rust; and their silicious shells are rained down upon the bottoms of the ocean to form a fine sand, which ultimately becomes hardened into flinty rock.

But in spite of the universal distribution of diatoms as a class, there are certain species of the tiny plants that are of very restricted habitat. A considerable number, for example, which are easily recognized under the microscope, have until recent years been supposed to be confined exclusively to the seas about Behring strait. But when Nansen made his trip across Greenland five years ago he collected dust from the ice floes of the eastern shore of that island, which, on being subjected to microscopic analysis after his return by Prof. Cleve, of Upsala, was found to contain numerous specimens of these Siberian species of diatoms. The conclusion seemed unavoidable that there must be an open connection between the two regions. Darwin had, indeed, while on his famous voyage with Capt. Cook, collected diatoms in dust that fell from the air on shipboard in mid-ocean; but Nansen's specimens were collected in situations that left no doubt of their having been washed up by the current, not deposited from the air. Hence he in-



SOME DIATOMS.

(Highly Magnified Under the Microscope.)

ferred that there must be an ocean current which had conveyed the diatoms on their ice raft, from Siberia to Eastern Greenland.

Of course, there were other clues that pointed in the same direction, but perhaps no other single bit of evidence was so influential as that furnished by the microscopic diatoms in giving Nansen that faith in a polar current which his subsequent experience with the Fram so fully justified. This current, as everybody knows now, since Nansen and the Fram have returned, flows to the northeast along the coast of Europe, is deflected to the northwest, and sweeping across the polar region, flows as a return current along the eastern shore of Greenland, and on to the south. It was this current which had swept the dust to the locality where Nansen found them, and which came so near floating the Fram to its desired destination beneath the pole.

It would appear that this great current which surges across the polar sea, whose existence few besides Nansen himself were disposed to credit until now, is really a continuation of that current which in temperate latitudes of the Atlantic is called the gulf stream; a current which owes its existence, it is believed, to the trade winds that sweep the tropics. So we are presented with the curious paradox, that the motive power which drove the helpless Fram, eased in an almost boundless mass of ice, through the frigid polar sea, was really the torrid wind blowing along the equator.

Who would have predicted, asks the Chicago Inter Ocean, that a microscopic plant would be the chief guidepost, and a tropical wind the motor in an all but successful assault upon the polar stronghold?

Dangers of Severe Exercise.

It is now a generally acknowledged fact that severe physical exercise, notably excessive bicycle riding, is as surely as an over-indulgence in beer a promoter of albuminuria. The insurance companies have taken cognizance of this fact and the subject was discussed recently at a meeting of the Association of Life Insurance Medical Directors, held in New York. Dr. P. Glover Lyon, of London, secretary of the British Life Insurance association, took part in the discussion. Dr. J. C. Young, of Newark, read a paper on "Albuminuria." Dr. George F. Shroyd said: "Men in training for a severe form of sports are seldom in good health, although they think they are. It is the vital organs and not big muscles that fit a man for a long and healthy life. A person should not be examined for insurance when he is in training. Anything that calls for great temporary exertion of muscular force will produce temporary albuminuria."

More Boys Than Girls.

In England 511 boys to 459 girls is the normal proportion of births a year to every 1,000 of the population.

PENOBSCOT JUSTICE.

How Some Indians Fitted the Punishment to the Crime.

"According to the books that I studied when a boy," began an oldish man at the club the other night, "the Indians looked down on their wives, and made them simply beasts of burden. That may have been so in some places, but it wasn't always so, or so everywhere."

"A good many years ago there were some Penobscot Indians near my people's place in New Hampshire, who evidently thought a good deal of their quavrs, and made one of the bucks appreciate the fact that his wife was not



CARRYING HIS BURDEN.

a beast of burden. This buck went on what we call a bat, and got drunk—drank too much ocappe, and Cheepee (devil) got him. When he came home he was in bad humor, and, finding his wife in his way, he stuck her feet in the fire and burned them off."

"The other Indians discovered this very promptly and tried him by a very summary process. The general opinion was that he should be executed at once; but one of the elder bucks interposed and gave this advice: 'No shoot him; make him live long as squaw live; him carry squaw when she want walk; when squaw die bimby, then we shoot.'"

"This advice appealed to the other men, and they decided to punish the buck as the old chief suggested. So the buck carried his wife around on his back whenever the tribe moved, whenever she wanted to go any place. So far as I learned, she did not hesitate about moving around. Of course the buck hated to carry her, but the beauty of the arrangement was that he didn't dare to illtreat her, much less kill her, because his life depended on hers. If she died, he knew the tribe would kill him."

"I don't know how long this punishment lasted—who died first, or if after her death he was pardoned or executed. If those Indians didn't make the punishment fit the crime, I don't know who did, either; not Gilbert's 'Mikado,' at any rate."

ENRAGED BY BLOOMERS.

Horse in Scotland Attacks Three Women Bicycle Riders.

A most unusual incident occurred on the Dunbarton road, near Glasgow, three lady cyclists being suddenly confronted and attacked by a riderless horse. They had dismounted and stood aside to let it pass, but instead of doing so it stopped and attempted to seize them. Dropping their bicycles in alarm upon the road, they tried to run past the animal, but he was on the alert and twice leaped over the bicycle, its efforts to reach them. They then made for a hedge by the roadside and two of them managed to crawl safely beneath it out of reach. The third, however, was not so lucky. Before she could escape the animal had seized her hat with its teeth and torn it to shreds.



MADE A SNATCH AT HER BACK.

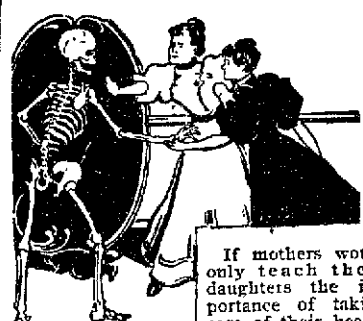
next made a snatch at her back, but was unable to fix its teeth in her clothes. At this point several men came to her aid, beat off the animal with sticks, and led it back to a farm from which it had escaped. One of the machines was somewhat damaged by the horse, but fortunately all the ladies were able to ride home.

Telephones for Farmers.

Farmhouses in Carroll county, Md., are supplied with a telephone service at \$15 a year, and it is said by those who have tried it that life in the country is made far more attractive when instant communication can be had with the family doctor, the post office, and village stores, to say nothing of an occasional chat with a distant friend. The cost of the service is more than returned in various ways.

Probably Had No Burens.

At Centralia, Mo., lives a man who has worn the same gold collar button for 40 years. It was presented to him when he started from his home there with a drove of sheep for California in 1857. He wore it throughout his subsequent adventurous career in the Rocky Mountain states, British Columbia, the south during the war time, the West Indies and Panama.



If mothers would only teach their daughters the importance of taking care of their health in a womanly way, there would be fewer young brides going to the altar arm-in-arm with death, and fewer young mothers who never live to nurse their babes. Before a woman enters upon the obligations of wifehood and motherhood, she should be sure that she is fitted for the duties before her by the possession of good womanly health. No woman can be healthy in a general way who suffers from weakness and disease of the distinctly feminine organs.

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Administratrix' Notice.

Estate of Herman Coble, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administratrix of the estate of Herman Coble, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, do hereby give notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the September term, on the first Monday in September next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted.

All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 25th day of June, 1897.

SALOMA F. COBLE, Administratrix.

D. C. Corley, Attorney. June 25-dit

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LOCAL NEWS.

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This evening the Misses Florence Hatch and Jeanette Walmsley will give a moonlight picnic party at Riverside park.

Nervous persons should use Irwin's Kola Uelery Compound.

H Post wants South Main street paved with asphalt and the work done this year.

Smoke the Little J 5 cent cigar, guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.

The home of Mrs. A. J. Wikel on East avenue was damaged \$150 by fire last night, caused by a defective flue. The department responded to the alarm, and the chemical crew speedily extinguished the flames.

Castoria 25 cents, at Irwin's drug store.

The Edward street Christian Sunday school will be held hereafter at 9:30 Sunday mornings. Sunday night at 6:45 the committees and officers of the Christian Endeavor society of that church will be publicly installed.

For you wall paper at lowest prices go to Pluck, at 109 East North street.—26 dmo.

The Baptists at Lincoln are arranging to build a new church, as the old one is not up to date.

Francis Fischer Powers will give a pupils' recital at his studio tonight. Among the Decatur pupils of Mr. Powers who will take part are Miss Anna Roberts, Miss Louise Boyd, F. E. Bunn and George Dunston. Miss Edna Bunn and Edward Powers will assist.

Every box of fruit bears my trade mark. If you cannot buy them from the dealers you can get them at the Riverside Fruit Farm. Raspberries, black and red. Orders by mail will be delivered. Geo. W. Sroy, P. O. Box 242.—28 ddt

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The land on which the new school house at Clinton is to be located was condemned Tuesday. The price to be paid was fixed at \$1400.

The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Weigand are the best in town. Moh 25 ddt

Miss Kittie Marstella has been appointed postmaster at Hammond, to succeed Mr. E. Wren.

Dan Culp for pumps, force pumps, lift pumps, wood pumps, chain pumps, and water elevators, 223 N. Main st. Durfee & Culp. May 25 ddt

The water works pump at Farmer City broke during the hottest part of the hottest day last week and many thirsty souls were.

The Chicago & Alton depot at Minier has a new room and is newly painted. While the roof was off a terrible rain came up and the depot was inundated.

W. B. Johnson, Newark, O., says: "One Minute Cough Cure saved my only child from dying by croup." It has saved thousands of others suffering from croup, pneumonia, bronchitis and other serious throat and lung troubles. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

A Ben Hur bicycle, the property of H. B. Dyer, the P. D. & E. station agent, was stolen yesterday while Mr. Dyer was in Bradley Bros.' store. The wheel's number is 12,829. A stranger with a Ben Hur wheel was heard of at 5 o'clock last evening at Mt. Zion. He had stopped to borrow a wrench to lower the seat. Then he rode away rapidly toward the next county.

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Prostrated by the Heat. Grant Held was prostrated by the heat yesterday. He was hanging wall paper in a house at No. 469 Spring avenue. While at work he was overcome by the intense heat and became unconscious. Dr. James L. Bevans was called and rendered medical attention. The man had a narrow escape, but will recover in a day or two.

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Meeting of the Town Board to Allow Mr. Foster's Bill.

The members of the Decatur township board, composed of Supervisor May, Justices Hardy, Provost, Shorb, O'Mara and Smith and Town Clerk A. H. Cope, met last evening at 5 o'clock, with Mr. May as chairman. It was a meeting to act on the claim of W. W. Foster, who had made the assessment for the year 1897. The bill was \$1827.50, and it was allowed by unanimous vote, together with \$15 for extra work put in by Mr. Fleming.

The clerk read the bills which had been presented to the board, each bill being sworn to. They were as follows:

Marion May, 79 days, \$190.
Bud Florey, 47 days, \$117.50.
T. J. Fleming, 47 days, \$117.50.
Grace Foster, 100 days, \$250.
Lelah Foster, 100 days, \$250.
W. H. Foster, 100 days, \$350.
W. W. Foster, 155 days, \$387.
T. M. Watkins, 100 days, \$250.

On motion the claims were allowed and ordered paid. As stated, Mr. Fleming had an extra bill of \$15 for six days' work which he and the assessor had disagreed on, but he put it in anyway and made affidavit to it and the board, after discussing the matter awhile, concluded that they would allow it along with the rest.

All of the bills had been presented at the first meeting of the board held on Thursday, and they had been referred to a special committee comprising May, Smith and O'Mara. The committee reported that the law allowed the assessor \$2.50 per day for making the assessment, but was silent as to compensation for overtime or extra services. Justice Smith, the chairman of the committee, made the report. On the roll call the board voted unanimously to pay all the bills. The claims of Town Clerk Cope were also ordered paid, and the motion to allow two days pay for each member of the board was adopted, when the board adjourned. It was stated that the bill of S. T. Keeler for making the 1896 assessment was \$1300.

RUSHED THEM THROUGH.

How Some Central Illinois Cities Prepared for the New Law.

Peoria had only two ordinances to consider before the new frontage law went into effect on the first of the month and killed them both. Bloomington, on the other hand, took the bull by the horns as it were, and passed ordinances by wholesale. The city council sat in continuous session for a week, with occasional recesses, and passed ordinances for public improvements providing for eighteen miles of pavement, ten miles of water mains and twelve miles of sewers. Every improvement likely to be wanted for the next ten years was provided for. These contemplated improvements involve a cost of \$440,000. A resolution was passed to the effect that no improvements be made until the consent of a majority of the property owners be obtained, so that no snap judgment was taken.

The Decatur city council adopted similar measures and passed ordinances covering about \$200,000 worth of improvements. As is the case with Bloomington the work on all these improvements will not begin this year and it is probable that some of it will not be reached for several years. It was simply a move to come in out of the rain and obviate any inconvenience which might arise in the future.

Joilet passed 120 special assessment ordinances subject to similar conditions, but the alderman who fathered the bulk of them has been asked to resign.

PRESTORIA A WINNER.

The Decatur Mare Won the 2:16 Pace at the Peoria Races.

Peoria, Ill., July 9.—At the mile race track wonderful work was done in the presence of 10,000 people. Lucy Gilbert took first money in the two year old trot, with second divided between Janie T. and Fanny Day. Time 2:31.

The 2:16 pace was won by Prestoria Wilkes, with Long Bake second and Libbie M. third. Time, 2:18 1/4, 2:13 1/4, 2:14 and 2:13 1/4.

In the great free-for-all pace Coloridge (2:05 1/4) won, Badge (2:07 1/4) second, Miss Williams (2:09 1/4) third and Manager (2:06 1/4) fourth. Time, 2:06 1/4, 2:06 1/4, 2:09 and 2:09 1/4.

Badge lowered his record by winning the fast heat a second and a quarter, made the fastest mile ever trotted or paced on the track and made the second best mile paced this season, the best being Star Printer, at Hartford, last Monday, in 2:04 1/4.

In the 2:12 trot Delmont won, Russell Mont second, She third. Time, 2:16 1/4, 2:12 1/4, 2:13 1/4, 2:13 1/4.

"Me W." in the \$1,000 Trot.

McW., the Decatur horse, was in fast company in the 2:16 trot for the purse of \$1000 at the Peoria races this week. Speaking of the first heat the Transcript says: "This race had eleven entries and starters. Robert Lee and Record sold favorites, while McW. was played for a place. During the scoring the drivers of McW., Kate F. and Robert Lee were fined \$10 each for scoring ahead of the pole horse, Memola. Robert Lee and Record sold favorites, while McW. was played for a place. Robert Lee had second position and McW. third. It was a procession to the last turn, the horses being strung out in single file up to the back stretch for an eighth of a mile. McW. and Straight Line had a close finish, being almost neck and neck down the stretch, but McW. held the lead and won, Straight Line second. Kate F. and Prime fourth. Robert Lee, Lee Graham, Prince, Boreal, Tuna, Monola and Record finished in the order named, Record being distanced. Time, 2:12 1/4." Mac got third money.

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Stories from the Country.

The people who survive this heated term will have something to talk about in after years more exhilarating than ward politics. The oldest inhabitant has come out from the shade long enough to pronounce the term a mere little circumstance, nothing to compare "with the hot weather we used to have way back in the 50's." When the old sinner gets this far you are inclined to brain him with a chair, club or brick, but when you reflect that the act means exertion you refrain and feebly pass on to the nearest shade, and sadly reflect on the probable fate of the ancient Annanias who can picture weather of a more sizzling character than we are receiving at this present writing.

In the neighborhood of Bement 12 horses succumbed to the heat yesterday. Many died and the remainder will be useless for farm work the remainder of the season.

An ambitious farmer living near Monticello kept at work in his cornfield, which sadly needed attention. Three of his six work horses are dead and the remainder will hardly be in shape to use again this season.

Wednesday morning Dr. Graves, of Dalton, left home early in the morning, to drive to Bement. His horse, a valuable animal, made the trip, but soon after entering the town dropped in the shafts. A veterinary surgeon worked with the beast the remainder of the day and all night. He thinks the horse will live, but will be unfit for use.

Lee Cuyatt, a farmer living between Milmine and Bement, was struck Wednesday afternoon. His condition is regarded as exceedingly critical by the attending physicians. He had not recovered consciousness up to a late hour yesterday afternoon.

Fourteen horses are said to have been overcome yesterday in the neighborhood of Warrensburg.

There was a general suspension of work on the farms between Bement and this city yesterday. Many farmers propose to make up for the lost time by working at night.

Two Ladies Hurt.

Last evening while returning to Decatur after visiting the family of Lloyd Bennett, near Oreama, Mrs. L. G. Kaufman and Mrs. W. M. Latham, both of Decatur, were thrown out of their buggy and both more or less seriously injured. The horse took fright at a cow at the side of the country road, and in turning suddenly tipped the buggy over, threw both ladies out and then ran away with the rig, going about 200 yards. Mr. Bennett, who had been informed of the accident, brought the two ladies to Decatur and Dr. L. M. Lee attended them. Mrs. Kaufman has a sprained wrist and her face is bruised and out. Mrs. Latham is suffering from bruises on her neck and an injured thumb.

Married at Clinton.

Clinton Public, July 8: Mrs. Charlesa Wischart (nee Bennett), of Decatur, was married at 10 a. m. today to John W. Redmond, a real estate dealer and farmer of Blue Mound. The ceremony occurred in the Magill house parlors, Squire Austin Richey officiating, and a few family friends attending. Mrs. Wischart is a daughter of William Bennett, of Creek, one of the old settlers of Illinois, and is quite well known here, though for some years she has conducted a dressmaking suite of rooms in Decatur.

Take a Swim.

The Nat. at Riverside is now open every day and evening.

It is the finest place in the city to spend an hour.

The water is always fresh, clean and warm.

There will be a great time at the Nat. the 3rd, 4th and 5th.

Do not fail to take it in.

Otto Weaver, a competent instructor always present.—3-tf

Officers Elected.

The following new officers of the English Lutheran Sunday school were elected at a meeting Wednesday night:

Superintendent—Dr. N. D. Myers.

Secretary—Miss Lillie Reuther.

Assistant Secretary—Miss Minnie Seaborn.

Treasurer—Peter P. Sether.

Librarian—Reuben Coble.

State Firemen's Tournament.

Illinois State Firemen's tournament, Monmouth, Ill., July 27, 28, 29, 1897. The largest meeting of firemen ever held in the west. The P. D. & E. will give rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets on sale July 26, good to return until and including July 30, 1897.—2 dlot

Fell From a Car.

Miss Kate Conner met with an accident last evening, while riding in from Riverside park on the street car. At the Broadway crossing she got off the car and in doing so lost her footing and fell in the street. She was not seriously injured but was bruised and suffered considerable pain.

THE DEATH RECORD.

Miss Mary A. Mooney. Overcome by the Heat, Passes Away—Other Deaths.

Miss Mary A. Mooney, aged 30 years, died last evening at the home of Rev. P. J. Maoken, on East Eldorado street. The deceased was a niece of Peter Mooney, and had been employed at the home of E. W. Holman on Prairie avenue. She was taken ill on Wednesday and went to visit her friend, Mrs. Mary Graham, who is the housekeeper at Father Maoken's residence. It was discovered yesterday afternoon that she had a high fever, and Dr. Cass Chenoweth was called. He saw that she was suffering from flux, a severe stomach trouble, brought on by the extreme heat, but did not think that her condition was critical at that time. Soon after he left she became rapidly worse and died in about half an hour. Miss Mooney had been in this country but about two weeks. She came from Ireland, where she leaves a father, two sisters, and four brothers. She leaves one sister, Miss Katie Mooney, in Decatur, besides the relatives named and several others near Niantic. The body was taken to the residence of Peter Mooney last night. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

Other Deaths.

Myron Adams, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dawson, died of cholera infantum at the home on West William street at 9:30 Thursday night. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the residence, 716 West William street.

Peter Mitchell, one of the well known colored men of the city, died at 8:30 last night at his home at 110 North Water street. He had been sick about two years, but had been seriously so only about eight weeks. He had enlargement of the liver. He leaves a wife and one child and one sister, Mrs. Lou Stipes. Mr. Mitchell was born in Tennessee fifty-five years ago. He came to Decatur from Springfield about fifteen years ago. He was one year a cook on a Wabash dining car. Of late years he has often been cook at the St. Nicholas. The last work he did there was on Christmas day. The funeral will be held on Saturday at the residence.

Emil Gallin, aged five weeks, died last night of summer complaint, at 837 North Charles street. His twin brother died on July 6.

THE BICYCLE RACE.

New Deal for the Handicap Contest Next Thursday Evening.

The management announce that there will be three events for the Wheelmen's club races at the Trotting park July 15, beginning at 6:30 o'clock. The officers of the club say that the handicap will be arranged for the five mile event and that contrary to all previous rules no two men will be started from the same mark. Some of the fellows who have been placed near to the scratch and on the scratch have objected to two or more men being put on the same mark. The objectors complain that this practice enables the fellows in the bunch to give each other a pace and that when such is the case there is no chance for the scratch man to win. In the future while some of the handicapped men will be separated only by a short distance no two of them will be exactly on the same terms.

THREE TO ONE.

And in the Right Direction.

It is not alone the wealthier classes who are using Postum Cereal, the grain coffee, instead of the old kind.

Working people have found, first, that the worth of Postum will go as far as 75c worth of coffee, and that while it is as bitter as cheap coffee it has the deep rich color of expensive Mocha and much the same mellow taste.

Postum is a food in liquid form, made at Battle Creek, Mich., of pure grains, and almost every old coffee drinker who has some ailment of body will find in less than ten days after leaving off berry coffee and using Postum Cereal, the health coffee, that in many cases the old trouble will be gone; in all cases there will be an improvement in health. There is a simple and good reason for this, as coffee is known by physicians to carry a positive percentage of poisonous alkaloids which directly attack stomach, heart and liver and from them other nerves.

Beware of the fraudulent imitations of the original Postum Cereal Grain Coffee. Insist on Postum.

Want a High School.

On Saturday, July 10, another election will be held at Macon, to determine whether or not bonds to the amount of \$2800 shall be issued for the erection of a high school building. Owing to errors in the two former elections, this last election will be held.

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FRIDAY, JULY 9, 1897.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, July 9.—Illinois, thunder
storms and cooler tonight; Saturday cool-
er with showers, followed by fair, south-
erly winds probably shifting to westerly
in equable tonight.

Interesting History.

One of the most interesting pieces of
history connected with the American flag
remains to be told. For eighty-nine years
after the stars and stripes were adopted,
they were made of foreign goods. All
through the war of 1812 and the civil
war no American soldier or sailor ever
fought under a yard of American bunt-
ing. No bunting was made in this coun-
try for two reasons, first, because nobody
knew how to make it, and second, because
nobody could make it and compete with
England. General Butler induced con-
gress in 1865 to put a tariff of 40 per cent
on bunting, and a man was sent to Eng-
land to learn how to make it, and when
he returned twelve looms were put in op-
eration, and then on February 24, 1866, a
notable event occurred in Washington.
The first American flag, made of Ameri-
can bunting, was hoisted over the nation-
al capitol. The flag was 21 feet by 12
feet, and was the gift of General Ben But-
ler.

We said there were twelve looms en-
gaged in making bunting in 1866; well, that
was a good many then, but in twelve
years afterward there were 18,000 looms
making the same article.

Under free trade in bunting we paid
from \$25 to \$35 a bale for the goods, and
under a protective tariff the price fell to
\$18 for a first class article.

The Wheat Crop.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: The pres-
ent indications are that this year's wheat
crop will be larger than the latest report
of the agricultural department promised.
Its estimate of the condition of the crop
pointed to a yield of about 50,000,000
bushels, but reliable private estimates
made at a later date place the crop 100,-
000,000 bushels higher than this. The
government's forecasts usually are more
conservative than the facts warrant, but,
of course, private predictions often err on
the other side. The market, though, ac-
cepts the estimate of 550,000,000 bushels,
as shown by the decline in wheat prices.
Last year's wheat yield was 427,000,000
bushels, but the present year's will make
a handsome gain on those figures.

"The West Virginia miners," says Gen-
eral Grover, in discussing the strike,
"are playing the same game which they
always play when a strike of the miners
is ordered. They refuse to go out, and
get the advantage of the increased demand
for coal in the other sections of the coun-
try in consequence of the short supply.
Ohio and Indiana miners are, I am
afraid, destined to suffer much hardship
in consequence of the strike. The West
Virginia coal will be shipped into those
states to such an extent that it will great-
ly injure the trade of the Ohio and In-
diana operators, even after work is resum-
ed. The Ohio miners are fully entitled
to the raise which they ask, and the op-
erators are willing that they should have it,
provided an understanding could be
reached with the Pennsylvania miners
that they will demand an increase of 50
over the amount which they now receive.
That is the difference in the cost of min-
ing a ton of coal in Pennsylvania and the
cost of mining a ton of coal in Ohio, the
advantage being in favor of Pennsylvania.
Inasmuch as the Pennsylvania min-
ers refused to stand up to the demand for
90 additional, and the West Virginia min-
ers refused to go out, the action of the
Ohio and Indiana miners in going out at
this time was hardly the part of wisdom.
If they had waited until the tariff bill had
passed the price of coal would have gone
up and their wages, I think, would have
been increased in a corresponding ratio.
Their cause is a just one, but they have,
I think, been unwisely advised."

The contrast between the correspond-
ence with consuls in Cuba before and
since the 4th of March is striking. Most
of this correspondence was done on the
part of the state department over the sig-
nature of William Woodville Rockhill,
then the assistant secretary of state. It
is presumed that Mr. Rockhill had his
directions from Secretary Olney. The
spirit of some of the correspondence sig-
ned by Rockhill is almost that of resent-
ment toward the consuls in Cuba for
troubling the department with accounts
of outrages upon American citizens.
When consuls submitted reports which
showed a desire for advice upon questions
which had arisen between them and the
Spanish authorities, the department was
slow to answer. The files show that Con-
sul General Lee waited weeks for an in-
terpretation by his government of the
most serious questions that arose between

General Weyer and himself. Treaty stip-
ulations between the two countries do not
allow either to imprison a citizen of the
other a longer period than seventy-two
hours without informing the authorities
of the latter country. Weyer was look-
ing up Americans and keeping them in
prison without allowing them to com-
municate with the American consuls.
Months elapsed and only by accident did
the consuls learn of these incarcerations.
Consul General Lee demanded the observ-
ance of the treaty stipulations. Weyer
replied that the martial law was superior
to the treaty provision. General Lee ap-
pealed to the state department and his
letters and cables rans upon that subject
went unanswered for weeks. Finally,
and in a tone that was anything but com-
mendatory of the consul general's vigor-
ous stand for American rights, the Cleve-
land administration informed him that
the treaty right limiting imprisonment
incommunicado to seventy-two hours was
still in force, notwithstanding Weyer's
claim.

WILL GO TO DETROIT.

Delegates to the National Republican
League Will Leave Sunday Night.

The delegates from this district to the
National Republican league meeting to
be held in Detroit next Tuesday, will
leave Springfield Sunday night via the
Wabash. Governor Tanner will return
from the north Saturday and will head
the Springfield delegation. J. Otis
Humphrey and William Barrett Ridgely
are also delegates at large and both will
attend.

The delegates from the seventeenth
district are: J. H. Paddeck, Spring-
field; W. H. Kinney, Taylorville; James
E. Hill, of Lincoln, and J. G. Stauffer,
Decatur. The alternates are: C. C.
Judy, Tallula; Frank L. Hatch, Spring-
field; C. M. Lytle, Decatur, and E. S.
Edmunds, Pana.

Meeting of Old Post One.

Last night members of Old Post One,
G. A. R., held a meeting to elect a secre-
tary to fill the vacancy caused by the
death of Major George K. Steele. C. M.
Imboden, the present treasurer, was elected
to the office of secretary-treasurer, the
two offices being combined.

It was decided to hold the annual meet-
ing April 6, 1898. This meeting will
probably assume the proportions of a ju-
bilee, it being held on the anniversary of
the founding of the order. Committees
will be appointed later and the occasion
will doubtless be one of much importance.
Dunham Post, No. 141 and auxiliary or-
ganizations, will be asked to assist.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Re-
ward for any case of Catarrh that can-
not be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.
F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props. Toledo, O.
We, the undersigned, have known F.
J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and be-
lieve him perfectly honorable in all busi-
ness transactions, and financially able to
carry out any obligations made by their
firm.

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WALDING, KINNAN & MARVIN,
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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken inter-
nally, acting directly upon the blood
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Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all Drug-
gists. Testimonials free.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

BASE BALL.

National League.

Chicago 2, Boston 1.
Brooklyn 1, St. Louis 0.
New York 5, Pittsburgh 4.
Cincinnati 6, Philadelphia 3.
Cleveland 10, Washington 5.
Louisville 7, Baltimore 5.

Western League.

Kansas City 19, Minneapolis 3.
Milwaukee 7, St. Paul 4.
Indianapolis 20, Grand Rapids 4.
Detroit 14, Columbus 7.

How They Stand.

	Won.	Lost.	P. ct.
Boston.....	15	15	.500
Cincinnati.....	39	18	.684
Baltimore.....	33	21	.614
New York.....	36	23	.610
Cleveland.....	32	29	.522
Pittsburgh.....	29	32	.475
Brooklyn.....	28	32	.467
Philadelphia.....	30	35	.462
Louisville.....	23	35	.417
Chicago.....	25	37	.403
Washington.....	23	36	.390
St. Louis.....	11	50	.180

Electric Bitters.

Electric Bitters is a medicine suited
for any season, but perhaps more
generally needed when the lan-
guid, exhausted feeling prevails, when
the liver is torpid and sluggish and the
need of a tonic and alterative is felt. A
prompt use of this medicine has often
averted long and perhaps fatal bilious
fevers. No medicine will act more surely
in counteracting and freeing the system
from the malarial poison. Headache,
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DIET FOR STOUT WOMEN.

What They May Eat and What They
Should Avoid.

The following rules of diet are for
stout women who wish to reduce their
flesh.

Stout women may eat:
Animal foods—Meats, fish, poultry,
game, eggs, cream, cheese, butter, sal-
ads, gelatin.

Vegetables—That grow above ground
generally. Greens, spinach, lettuce, cel-
ery, asparagus, tomatoes, white tur-
nips, peas (green), beans (green), caulif-
lower, cabbage, slaw, oyster plant,
cress, onions, vegetable salads.

Fruit—Grape fruit, oranges, lemon
juice in water or on food, tart, mel-
low apples, peaches, currants, cherries,
plums.

Cereals—Gluten or whole wheat
bread toasted, Zwieback (unsweet-
ened), bread sticks, shredded wheat.

Liquids—Tea or coffee, unsweetened
and without milk or cream, lemon juice
and water, white wine.

Nuts—Slightly salted, with meals.
Condiments—Olive oil, paprika, cay-
enne (a little), lemon juice, horseradish,
salt (in moderation).

They should avoid:
Highly-seasoned food.
Pastry, puddings, preserves, chocolate
candy and sweets of all kinds.

Fat of meat, veal and pork.
Soups and excess of liquids with
meals.

Starchy food, such as cereals, po-
tatoes, rice, refined wheat flour, in
bread or crackers.

Root vegetables—Carrots, parsnips,
beets, etc.

General directions are given as fol-
lows:

Drink a cup of hot water (freshly
boiled) one hour before meals, and be-
fore retiring at night (four cups daily).

Drink no liquids with breakfast,
about five ounces with lunch, and six
or eight ounces with dinner.

Drink water, hot or cold, freely one
hour before or two hours after eating.
Do not overeat. It is better to take
four or five light repasts daily than
three heavy ones.

Eat only what agrees with you.
Vary your occupations as much as
possible.

Do not exercise to the point of fa-
tigue.

Sleep in well-ventilated rooms.
Avoid crowds and close atmosphere.

Cultivate mental as well as physical
activity.

Bathe freely.
Do not take drugs or medicines ex-
cept by advice of a physician.—What to
Eat.

Quick Relief for Asthma.

Foley's Honey and Tar is guaranteed
to give prompt relief in all cases of
Asthma. Do not class this with other
medicines that have failed to give relief.
Give it a trial. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

SEEING THE WHITE HOUSE.

An Old Virginia Negro Views the
President's Mansion.

One of the most unique types of hu-
manity that has been seen at the
white house for many a day strolled
leisurely into the mansion shortly after
luncheon the other day. He was a
"fore-de-war" negro, pockmarked,
ragged and footsore. He had just
tramped in from Orange county, Va.,
and after putting foot on the Wash-
ington asphalt made a bee line for the
white house. He was the object of
many curious glances.

"Is dis here de president's house?" he
asked of a doorkeeper.

"Yes, colonel," was the reply of the
doorkeeper, noticing the military garb.
"Well, is cullud pusses 'loved in'?"

He was informed that no distinction
is drawn between the races, and he
marched proudly into the east room.

He took in his surroundings at a glance,
walked straight for a chair, and, re-
moving his hat, that had seen better
days, knelt in prayer. He remained in
this posture several minutes while the
white house attaches wondered whether
a lunatic had invaded the mansion.

Finally the old negro arose, inspected
the furnishings of the room, uttered
words of praise for the president, and
noiselessly glided out of the east room.

It was not enough, he thought, to see
only the east room. He wanted to make
a tour of the mansion. He peeped
through keyholes, cracks and crevices,
trying to get a look at some of the oc-
cupants of the white house. Failing to
see anybody he passed out of the build-
ing. On the portico he encountered a
white house policeman.

"Just tell de president that Mister
John W. Sheldon, of Orange county, Vir-
ginia, called. Remember, now, John
W. Sheldon."

The policeman informed Mr. Sheldon
that he would communicate his mes-
sage, whereupon the old darky removed
his hat, buttoned his old coat, and
jumped up in the air like an Apache
Indian en route to war with a hostile
tribe.

"Rise, shine, shout, 'Give God the
glory,'" shouted the old man at the top
of his voice as he passed down the steps
leading to the driveway.—N. Y. Sun.

Don't thin your blood with sassafras
or poison it with blue-moss; but aid Na-
ture by using DeWitt's Little Early
Risers, the famous little pills for con-
stipation, biliousness and stomach and
liver troubles. They are purely veget-
able. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong
Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Johnnie O'Brien dropped dead at Ha-
vana while sitting in front of a store Fri-
day. He was smoking a cigar. The
verdict of the jury was that his death was
caused by heart failure adduced by ex-
cessive cigar smoking.

A Fire Alarm.

About 11 o'clock this morning there
was a fire in the building occupied by the
Schilling drug store at the corner of East
Eldorado and North Morgan streets. The
fire was on the second story in the apart-
ments of Dr. Kennedy. A gasoline stove
flared up and set fire to a door. The dam-
age was slight and the blaze was easily
extinguished by the chemical from the
Morgan street house.

Not only piles of the very worst kind
can be cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel
Salve, but eczema, scalds, burns,
bruises, boils, ulcers and all other skin
troubles can be instantly relieved by the
same remedy. A. J. Stoner & Son,
Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Mrs. Mary York, wife of Marion York,
committed suicide at Peoria by taking
strychnine. Her husband took another
woman to the races.

Attention, Old Soldiers.
The manufacturers have instructed
us to give a bottle of 25c size of Foley's
Colic Cure free to the first soldier of the
civil war that applies for the same. It
is the great remedy for Chronic Diar-
rhea, Cramp Colic and all Bowel com-
plaints. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Pontiac people are making a kick for
better water.

Don't Stop Him!
He has a bad attack of colic and is
making for our drug store after a bottle
of Foley's Colic Cure. 25c and 50c. H.
W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

A size in stockings is three-quarters of
an inch.

Type are slightly less than one inch in
length.

SOCIETY MEETINGS.

BATHONE SISTERS—Special meeting of
the Little Temple No. 2, Bathone Sisters,
Saturday afternoon, at 8 o'clock, p. m., in new
K. of P. Hall, Powers building. Business im-
portance. Full attendance desired. ROBERT
PATTERSON, M. E. C., Mrs. DILLHENT, M.
of K. and C.

Master in Chancery's Sale.
STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss. In the Circuit
Court.
The Blue Mount Savings, Loan and Building
Association, Complainant, vs. Joseph A.
Quarry et al, Defendants.—In Chancery; No.
1070.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursu-
ance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon
county in the State of Illinois, entered in the
above entitled cause at the June Term of
said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master
in Chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, July 31st, 1897,
at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door
of the courthouse on East Wood street, in the
City of Decatur in said county offer for sale at
public vendue to the highest and best bidder for
cash in hand, subject to redemption according
to law, the real estate in said decree ordered
to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit:
Lots 9 and 10, in block four (4), in
the Village of Blue Mount, Macon county, Ill.
Dated Decatur, Illinois, this 9th day of July,
A. D. 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Alex. McIntosh and F. L. Van Cleave, Com. Sol.
July 9-td

Hot Weather
Bargains...

25c Dimities for 20c.
20c Dimities for 15c.
15c Dimities for 10c.
10c Dimities for 7 1/2c.
Scotch Lawns, new, worth 5c,
for 3 1/2c.
Lunette, new, worth 5c, for 3 1/2c.
Indigo Blue Calicoes, worth 5c,
for 3 1/2c.
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Goods at cost and less to close.
The newest and best Grenadines,
Lappets, Lawns, all at closing
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NO MAN'S LANDS.

Strips of Country That Have No Federal Government.

Jones county, Miss., a community that is now being terrorized by a lawless band, has a history. Until within the past ten years it was remote from railroads and sparsely settled. The natives were of an ignorant character. They were likewise very poor. They did not own slaves previous to the war, and the farming interests were of but little consequence. The county is situated in the heart of the long leaf pine belt, and lies midway between Meridian, Miss., and New Orleans. During the war its population did not exceed 3,000. When Mr. Davis made his call for troops there wasn't a single man in that county that responded. Officers of the confederate army were sent there to drive the recalcitrants into the ranks, but they were impeded in such work by the immense and almost impenetrable swamps and forests that abounded in that country. The natives took to the woods whenever they saw a gray coat. They hid in the bushes and among the cane brakes. Finally they became tired of dodging the conscript law. About 200 of the most prominent of her citizens met at Ellisville one day and adopted a resolution offered by a man named Jones declaring the county's independence of the confederacy. A separate and distinct government was formed. A constitution was framed and submitted to a viva voce vote, which was agreed upon.

The county was to be called the republic of Jones and was to be free and independent. The article declaring independence was framed much after that famous document inspired by Thomas Jefferson. An election was ordered, but before it took place Gen. Robert Lowry, since that time twice governor of Mississippi, took 2,000 confederate troops down there, broke up the new republic, and drove all of the able-bodied men that thousands could locate among the trees in the forests and forced them to the front. Many of the men were shot out of trees, where they were hiding as a wildcat would do. They were quite rebellious all during their service, and many of them were court-martialed and shot. Whenever the opportunity was afforded they deserted. Dozens of these were captured at their homes and executed. But it is said that while they were in battle they fought with the ferocity of a wounded and enraged beast.

The county is now one of the most prosperous and civilized in the south. Its chief commercial interest is in the lumber trade, and the finest of pine timber is shipped to all parts of the world from its hundreds of sawmills. Ellisville is the county site, is a town of 10,000 people and is a thriving place.

Schoharie county, N. Y., is another county that gave much trouble to the country during the war. It lies adjacent to Albany and was thickly settled then, as it is now. Its inhabitants are, however, mostly composed of Hollanders. But few of the farmers of the county are property holders, renting from "patrons" now just as they did 20 years ago. In 1850 they became tired of the landowners and rebelled so seriously as to precipitate civil war among themselves. Father was arrayed against son and so on until finally both factions armed themselves and went out shooting. It required a half dozen regiments of militia to subdue them. And ever since that time the county has gone democratic. It is the only one in the state that has not at some time or other gone republican. No amount of republican campaigning seems to do any good. They still rent land and fight among themselves. Another curious feature about Schoharie is that nearly one-tenth of its population are hunchbacks. This deformity is supposed to be caused by the fact that the "Dutch" have quite a penchant for marrying among themselves—of their own flesh and blood. The same character of men may be seen around Grand Haven, Mich., where the "Dutch" are to be found by the hundreds. They are of the low order of mankind, and it is not an uncommon thing for a man there to marry his niece or a nephew to wed his aunt.

The Texas legislature has had under consideration the admission into the sisterhood of counties several of the unorganized ones now lying in the extreme northwestern part of that immense state. Take the counties of Hale, Cochran, Terry and several others lying adjacent to them, near the New Mexico border, the citizens do not have to contribute anything toward the support of the government. Of course there are but few of them, however. In one of these—Terry, I think—there is a ranchman herding something like 5,000 head of cattle on the wild lands. There are no assessors or sheriffs to assess or collect taxes, nor officers to make arrests when some of the boys fall out and cheat each other. It was not many years ago when Tom Green, the largest county of any in the United States, had no representative at Austin when the legislature met. Pecos, a county almost as large, remained unorganized until a few months ago. At one time less than a dozen years ago there were more than 50 counties in Texas in name only. It requires a population of 200 before a county may be recognized. In several instances the census has been swollen because some ambitious fellow wanted to go to the state's capital as a "representative."—I. S. Evans, in Chicago Times-Herald.

RULES FOR WHEELMEN.

Cycling Doctor Prescribes a Course of Conduct for Riders.

Says the cycling doctor, one of the many cycling doctors:

"Let me give ten rules for bicycle riders to follow. They are good rules and it will do cyclists good to observe them strictly. Here they are:

1. In purchasing a bicycle take as much care to have it fit you as you would in obtaining a gown or a suit of clothes.

2. Be sure that when sitting upright you do not have to reach to maintain the ball of the foot on the pedal during an entire revolution. In other words, when the pedal has reached the most distant point from the body be sure there is a slight bend in the leg at the knee.

3. Adjust the handle bars at a level which, when the arms are fully extended, will keep the body in an almost upright position. In riding long distances the handle bars should be dropped a trifle, so as to increase the leverage by a backward as well as a forward push.

4. Before purchasing a bicycle make an arrangement with the dealer whereby you may make trials of different saddles until you find one that is perfectly comfortable, for a properly-fitting saddle is the most necessary element in safe and comfortable riding. Incline to a saddle that is stiff and moderately provided with springs, and which is broad and short, rather than long and narrow. The most important object to be attained in the adjustment of the saddle is to have the pommel high enough to give the body a slight tendency to slip backward, thus keeping the weight off the perineum, as it is most important that it should be borne by the gluteal muscles and the tuberosities of the ischium.

5. The average woman should never ride a wheel geared higher than 60 inches; the average man higher than 70 inches. Remember that the higher the gear the greater the power required to move a given distance.

6. After having become accustomed to the use of a bicycle, never take a ride so long that a good night's sleep will not entirely remove all traces of fatigue. Twenty-five to 30 miles a day, according to the surface of the country, should not be exceeded by the average rider.

7. Always walk up a steep hill; it will save your heart.

8. Never ride simply with the idea of arriving at the earliest possible moment at a given destination; ride for the pleasure that is to be had from it.

9. While riding use the same sense in drinking that you would in watering a horse. Also, like a horse, stick closely to water as a beverage. Remember that alcohol stimulates the heart and circulation in much the same way exercise does, and that if you use it in any form while wheeling the reaction is speedy and long-reaching.

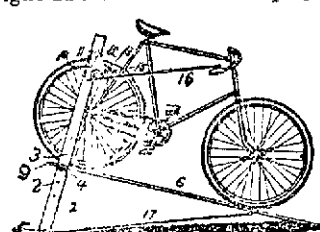
10. Never ride on a full stomach; it will interfere with the heart's action and respiration.

"If bicycle riders will follow these rules," says the cycling physician, "I am sure they will all enjoy the exercise more than if they violated them."

A BICYCLE STARTER.

Invention Intended to Secure Even Starts Between Racers.

Peter C. N. Pederson, of West Superior, Wis., has patented the device shown in the accompanying illustration, intended to secure an even start between racers. Two uprights are spaced apart and are provided with a cross bar for a base. An inclined board rests at its forward end on the ground, and is supported at the rear on a pin, passing through the uprights. A cord connects the base to the inclined board. A sheet-metal sleeve slides on the upright and has two forward projecting



PEDERSON'S BICYCLE STARTER.

ears, one of which is hinged a latch, while the other has pivoted to it a lever having a notched arm to engage the latch, and a cord is attached to the upper end of the lever to release the latch. The latch engages the spokes of the rear wheel and holds it upon the incline. It is intended to have one starter for each racer, and, by pulling all the strings at the same time, an even start will result.—Cycling Gazette.

The Latest Tire Indicator.

An Englishman has invented a nickel-in-the-slot tire indicator. A stand holds the cycle, a tube connects with each tire, and when the latter is of sufficient hardness mechanical levers, actuated by the coils that off the air, rendering it impossible to burst the tires. When a coin is dropped into the slot a handle is thrown into gear, which the contrivance can pump easily. In case of a puncture, the machine is so arranged that it may be worked at half pressure until the puncture is located. It is proposed to utilize side pillars for the delivery of oil, lamp wick, matches, and other supplies. The inventor expects to organize a company, and place his machines at all cycle resorts.

Woman Invents a Tire.

A young woman of Brooklyn has invented a new bicycle tire which she claims presents less surface friction than the ordinary tire. It is especially advantageous in ascending steep grades, and will not collapse. It is composed of a series of balls arranged continuously in a circular frame lined in the grooved portion of the tire rim. The frame is segmental in cross-section and has a removable section, through which new balls may be introduced in case of puncture. The balls are held in place only by the curvature of the frame, the side edges extending slightly beyond the center of the balls.

WOMAN, SPARE THE BIRDS.

Woman! Spare the birds. Touch not a single wing. God made them—not for hats; He placed them here to sing.

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Their beauty was bestowed To give our eyes delight, And not to overload And make your heads a sight.

Our springtime must not be A season of regret, All shorn of melody To make you valier yet.

Our gardens, fields and wood, Our hedges, orchards, lanes, Must not in silence brood To decorate your brains.

In youth we learned to love The birds. We watched them build Their nests beside our door, We wept if one was killed.

They knew we wore their friends And of us had no fear, And yearly they returned To make our homes more dear.

They taught us gentle ways; They made us true and kind, And by their songs of praise Our natures they refined.

They to our children gave A joy so sweet and pure That after years are blest With memories that endure.

Instead of being dumb And hiding from our sight The birds, who love us, come With songs and beauty bright.

With beauty and with song They gladden all our days, And, innocent of wrong, They trust our human ways.

Each woman who displays Upon her hat a wing Assists in murderous ways—She loves no bird to sing.

She from her children takes A childhood's purest joy And her example makes Them eager to destroy.

Woman! Spare the birds. Wear flowers on your hats. Don't kill our feathered friends—Leave that for snakes and cats.

—H. C. Dodge, in Chicago Sun.

UNCLE JOE'S LUCKY DAY.

HUNTING THAT RAISED THE ANTE OF HIS BOY ANDY.

UNCLE JOE SHROPSHIRE is one of the toughest and gamest woodsmen in all northern Pennsylvania, although he is now past 75. The other day he came into the tavern at this little lumber settlement with the pelts of two enormous wildcats strung over his shoulder. They were the largest of the kind ever seen in this region, where big wildcats are no uncommon sight. Uncle Joe was soon surrounded by a group of curious loungers, and everybody wanted to know where he got the big wildcat skins. He threw them on the floor, leaned up against the bar, and said:

"What did I get 'em? Why, I peeled 'em off the two varmints they grow'd on, o' course! What did ye 'spect I got 'em? An' I had a sight o' fun a doin' of it, too. Ye all remember how that boy Andy o' mine tackled the big buck he wounded last fall, an' how he fit it for well-nigh an hour till he was all but tore to pieces himself before he killed it? That fight o' his'n was about the gamest thing that ever was done in our woods, an' I was glad he made it an' come out all hunky, but I kep' a thinkin' to myself that I didn't calculate to let Andy be the only man there was in this district, and then keepin' my eye peeled ever since for a little streak o' luck myself. I looked for it all winter, but it didn't come my way, fer every bar or buck I shot allus seemed to drop dead'n a stone. There wa'n't no light left in 'em. I began to think that I guessed I'd have to wait till next fall or winter, when 'tother day I accidentally discovered that there was a big bar sloshin' round in Kelley's Holler, not far north, from what Andy made his big buck give it up. I says nothin' to nobody, but one day I calls old Jackson, my dog, an' says to myself that I guessed we'd meander out and see if we an' Jackson an' the bar couldn't pick up a muss betwixt us. And so we meandered.

"I'd ben out, I take it, fer better an hour, an' hadn't see nothin' o' the bar. It was purty hot in the swamp, an' so I begun to edge out to'rds the openin' to get some fresh wind. Jackson he kep' huntin' round, an' I know'd if the bar was anywhere in the country Jackson'd be sure to hustle him out. When I got out on the edge o' the swamp I see a rousin' big hawk sailin' along so high up that I thort mebbe he mout be searchin' for a roostin' place on a cloud somewhere, an' I says to myself that I guessed I'd see if I couldn't knock a feather or two ontoen him, jest to try my rifle, so I up an' bangs away at him. He was a good ways up, but I've got him nailed on my barn door now.

"Jackson he was huntin' round all the while o' in the swamp, an' I hadn't scarcely got my gun down from my shoulder when I heard the deuce and all of a time 'tongst the barrels. I says to myself that I guessed old Jackson had needn't brin' outen his Edin' place, an' the next second the brush opened an' out didn't come the bar, but the wildcat that was wearin' the lightest o' them pelts there, an' that's big enough fer any decent wildcat. I guers. Well, he come out, jee whoo-o-o-o! an' I had to up an' fire quick. The consequences was that I didn't get the ball whar I wanted it, an' only just broke the varmint's shoulder. Quicker'n a chain lightning that cat turned an' sprung at me. I hadn't no more loads in my rifle, an' so I met the wildcat in the air with t'bert o' my gun an' keeled him over. Then I jumped at him, an' soaked one of my number seven cowhides plumb

on his neck 'fore he could gather hisself an' come fer meagin'. He squirmed over on his back, though, as sick as an eel, an' his'n his hind claws, ketched me jest below the knee an' nipped the breeches an' bootleg off down to the ankle as easy as I'd spud the bark offen a hemlock. He took a trifle o' my hide with 'em, too, but he didn't have a chance to clutch no more of it, for I smashed his big head with a lick from my rifle butt, an' he give up the ghost.

"Well, that was all nice an' easy as far as it went; but Jackson wa'n't satisfied with nosin' this feller out, but had kep' on huntin' round in the swamp all the while I was gittin' away with the cattymount. Consequence was that I hadn't had time to draw a long breath, when jee whoo-o-o-o! out jumped the former owner o' that biggest hide there. He see that I had made carcase of his mate, an' didn't wait fer me to pitch in, but just opened on me from the world go. I tried the rifle butt business on him, but it didn't seem to have no more effect on him than if I was poundin' a feather bed. Old Jackson come to help with this feller, but that ugly varmint jest more than circused the both of us around that patch o' timber. Before I got in my lucky whack that broke the wildcat's back, he had pooty nigh cleaned me out o' clothes, an' had left a to'able fair showin' o' digs on my hands an' arms—there, ye kin see 'em yit—an' had gouged on old Jackson so he looked as if somebody had been pickin' his feathers off an' then tippin' a kug o' red paint over him.

"After I broke the cat's back, though, he wasn't much use to himself, but his spirit was jest as willin', though the flesh was weak. I hadn't said nothin' 'bout the yellin' an' on'arthly cattymountin' he kep' up 'cause I hadn't got the lungs to give 'em to ye. When I got this wildcat foul I served him same I had 'tother un, an' then I set down on the ground 'bout as willin' as ever I done anything in my life. After takin' 'count o' stock an' thinkin' the matter over I says to myself that I guessed two cattymounts an' the fight I had with 'em was 'bout equal to Andy an' his buck, an' so I guessed I'd call it a day an' go home an' leave the bar till next day, an' then go out an' git him, 'which, I says, 'I take it'll raise the ante on Andy,' I says. So by an' by I loaded my gun, toasted the wildcats over my shoulder an', pickin' up my hawk, started fer home.

"That dog Jackson o' mine is the greatest dog in all creation, an' the first thing I know'd I missed him, an' then I heard him huntin' round in the swamp ag'in, jest as if he hadn't a scratch on him nor a lock or so o' hair yanked offen him. I says to myself that I guessed that if Jackson didn't look out the first thing we know'd we'd be in another muss, an' I hadn't much mor'n said it 'fore I heard a hullabaloo in the swamp, an' right on the heels of it come the bar, an' on the bar's heels come Jackson. The bar was a big one. Jackson clutchin' at his heels made him mad, an' he stopped an' turned on the dog. Then, seein' me, he made up his mind that I was to blame fer the hull barn business. So he come a tearin' fer me like a steam engine, with his jaws open



"WHAR DID YE 'SPECT I GOT 'EM?"

as far as he could git 'em. The inside of 'em was as red as the inside of a turkey gobbler's chin, an' I know'd he meant business. I dropped the cattymounts an' the hawk an' binged away at the bar. He tumbled, but was comin' so overpoverin' fast to'ard me that he turned a summerset clean over and come up squar on his feet, an' stood up so close to me that I had to duck my head 'way back to git out o' the way o' the swat he made at me with one o' them big paws b' his'n, and I only jest got out o' the reach of it, with not an inch to spare. The wind of his paw almost took my breath away, so ye kin mebbe imagine that if he'd a hit me I wouldn't be here to tell about the lift the skirmish. Jackson was worritin' the bar from behind, an' I guess that saved me from a rassel that I was a leetle too tired to enjoy, fer the bar turned back on the dog, an' that give me a chance to shove another bullet inter bruin, an' that un settled him. Then I says to myself that I guessed mebbe I'd last till Andy went out an' fit another buck. And I guess I will, don't you?—N. Y. Tribune.

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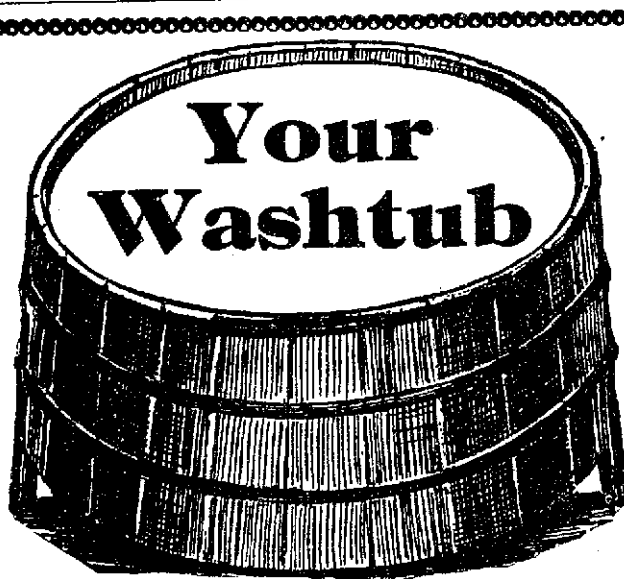
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Decatur, Illinois, July 8, 1897.

GEORGE S. DUFFEE,
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THE GROWTH OF LONDON.

Its Marvelous Expansion Under Victoria's Reign.

Whatever future chroniclers may have to say of Queen Victoria's reign and the brilliant celebration of her "diamond jubilee," one point that cannot be overlooked is the enormous growth of London during her majesty's lifetime. The metropolis has quadrupled in population, having increased from a little over 1,000,000 to 4,350,000. It seems difficult to imagine that there ever was a time when London was a small place, yet when the queen was born it was very little larger than Glasgow is now, and only double the size of Birmingham.

It is usual to compare the glories of Victoria's reign with those of Elizabeth, but between the London of today and that of "Good Queen Bess" there is really no comparison. London was still girt around by the walls built by the Romans and was largely inclosed within them. The mansions of the great lay outside the city walls, chiefly on the way from the Strand to Westminster. There were few stone houses, and none tiled or slated, being mostly built of wood and thatched with straw. Beyond the royal palace at Westminster was open country, and marsh lands formed the sole feature of the landscape across the river. On the other side of the city was open country, with "Merrie Islington," a village, in the distance. Where St. Sepulcher's church now stands were slums. In Golden Lane was a row of curious old houses, which had been used as a nursery for the children of Henry VIII. Round about the Moor gate were large houses, and further out a watery tract which abounded with wild fowl. The citizens used to exercise themselves here with archery practice and sport. In Bishopsgate the earls of Devonshire had their palace. Houndsditch was a foul ditch, the receptacle for sewage, and there was a similar ditch on the western side of the city. Sanitary science was unknown. The paving of the streets was in its infancy; except with regard to a few of the principal thoroughfares, each inhabitant paved as much as he liked before his own door with the materials that his pride, poverty or caprice might suggest.

The streets were obstructed with stalls, sheds, signposts and projections of every kind; curbstones were unknown, and only in a few thoroughfares were the footpaths divided from the carriageway with posts and chains. This was the London of Elizabeth, just 300 years ago—a very different city from that of to-day—a London gradually becoming foul and pestilential, ultimately to be cleared and purified by the great plague, which carried off a fifth of the inhabitants in 1665, and the great fire of the following year, which involved 400 streets, 13,200 houses, 88 churches, St. Paul's cathedral and four city gates. Before the fire it is estimated to have contained from 10,000 to 12,000 streets, alleys and lands, 150,000 houses and about 700,000 inhabitants. So that in 17 centuries London had grown to a population of under 750,000. By the beginning of Queen Victoria's life it had increased to 1,000,000, and now, at the end of the sixtieth year of her reign, it is sevenfold what it was under "Good Queen Bess." Rather than to Elizabeth London owes its growth to Charles II., for after the restoration those who returned with him did not care to return to their old city houses, but built themselves mansions further west, leaving the city to the merchants, by whom it has ever since been monopolized. To James I. we owe Pall Mall, and Kensington was originated by the creation of a palace there when Whitehall was burned down—London Standard.

THE THREE EUROPEAN RACES.

Indubitable Evidence That There Are Three.

Instead of a single European type there is indubitable evidence of at least three distinct races, each possessed of a history of its own, and each contributing something to the common product, population, as we see it today. If this be established it does away at one fell swoop with most of the current mouthings about Aryans and pre-Aryans; and especially with such appellations as the "Caucasians" or the "Indo-Germanic" race. Supposing for present peace that it be allowed that the ancestors of some peoples of Europe may once have been within sight of either the Caspian sea or the Himalayas, we have still left two-thirds of our European races and population out of account. And yet it is too early to discuss these events in the history of these races; that will claim our attention at a later time. The present task before us is to establish first of all that three such racial types exist in Europe.

—Prof. W. Z. Ripley, in Appleton's Popular Science Monthly.

Match and Cigar.

There are several devices for combining match and cigar. One of these is a sort of peg, made of niter, sulphur, charcoal, flour and gum arabic, which is stuck on the end of the cigar. When you want a light, it is necessary merely to rub the tip of the cigar upon a rough surface. A perfumed match has been patented, the stick being dipped in oil of cassia. Of course, there are ever so many odd sorts of matches actually in use to-day, as, for example, the wax matches, which are employed in Europe to an extent vastly greater than in this country. Most of the wax matches are manufactured in Italy and Great Britain. They are made by drawing strands of fine cotton thread, 20 or 30 at a time, through melted stearine. This hardens quickly, and the tapers are rounded by pulling them through perforated iron plates. It then remains only to cut them into proper lengths and dip them into an igniting composition.—Philadelphia Press.

—A man who can't smoke or chew usually goes around with a toothpick in his mouth.—Washington Democrat.

FOR NAVAL SUPREMACY.

A Race Certainly Going On Among the Nations.

The amount of naval construction now in progress in the chief nations of Europe is without precedent. English supremacy upon the sea is not yet contested, but it is threatened by possible combinations. Formerly it was a maxim of English statesmanship that the English fleet must be as strong as all other fleets combined. Later, it was held that the English fleet must at least be superior to the combined strength of the two next strongest. Eight years ago a parliamentary paper required a superiority of 33 per cent. over the combined French and Russian battle ships. But both France and Russia have pushed the building of ships so rapidly that this standard is not now reached.

During the last three years England has built seven battle ships, while France and Russia together have built 11. Last summer France and Russia together had 14 battle ships building, while England had but 12. Germany, another rival of England, is also pushing naval construction rapidly. She is spending now about twice as much money annually in this way as she did seven or eight years ago, and the emperor recently astounded the reichstag by presenting, through his secretary of state for the navy, a plan which contemplated an outlay of about \$80,000,000 for the next three years. The reichstag disapproved the plan, though it made provision for some new construction. Germany now has 21 battle ships and seven protected cruisers, and in addition three battle ships and seven armored or protected cruisers are building.

In case of war England must retain vessels to defend herself against possible invasion, and she has scattered colonies and a world-wide commerce to protect. She cannot therefore rely upon all her fleet for active operations.

It is of vital importance to all the material interests of England that she remain "the mistress of the seas." For that reason, the heaviest burdens for naval construction and equipment are cheerfully borne. This year's estimates for new construction, for example, amount to more than \$100,000,000, and the vessels to be finished or to be under construction this year number 108, 14 of which are battle ships.—Youth's Companion.

"They are dandies," said Thos. Bowser, of the Crockett, Texas, Enterprise, while writing about DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for sick headache and disorders of the stomach and liver. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

George Pasfield, Jr., of Springfield, is about to erect a \$20,000 residence, on a ten-acre tract in Springfield.

There Is No ? About It.

No question, indeed, with those who have used it, but that Foley's Kidney Cure is absolutely reliable for all Kidney and Bladder diseases. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Mrs. Margt. Phelps Hopfer, of Galesburg, is dead. She was very prominent in musical matters.

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are expressions frequently heard about Foley's Kidney Cure. Do not fail to try this great remedy for all kidney trouble. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.—It is a terrible accident to be burned or scalded; but the pain and agony and frightful disfigurements can be quickly overcome without leaving a scar by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Miss Duffey, of Havana, tripped on a rope and got a hard fall as she was boarding the steamer Sively at Pekin. She went into convulsions and was in a serious condition.

Don't neglect a cough because the weather is pleasant; before the next storm rolls around it may develop into a serious difficulty beyond repair. One Minute Cough Cure is easy to take and will do what its name implies. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

A barber shop for the accommodation of the inmates of the reformatory at Pontiac is being put in operation. A man has been appointed to teach the trade to certain of the inmates.

When You Take Your Vacation the most necessary article to have with you (after your pocket-book) is a bottle of Foley's Colic Cure. It is an absolute prevention or cure of all derangements of the bowels caused by a change of water. You are likely to need it. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Johnnie O'Brien dropped dead at Havana while sitting in front of a store Friday. He was smoking a cigaret. The verdict of the jury was that his death was caused by heart failure adduced by excessive cigaret smoking.

Don't thin your blood with essences or poison it with blue mass; but aid Nature by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for constipation, biliousness and stomach and liver troubles. They are purely vegetable. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

A big cannon at Delavan exploded on the 6th during the celebration. Chunks weighing fifty and sixty pounds were hurled long distances. No one was hurt.

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How an Enterprising Chicago Succeeded in a Block of Flyin Stock at Washi

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A BUSY MAN'S BLUNDER.

It Enabled the Plausible Man to Make Lots of Money.

How an Enterprising Genius from Chicago Succeeded in Disposing of a Block of Flying Machine Stock at Washington.

How the man of plausible manners had gotten access to so many people with money to invest, says the Washington Star, was one of the everyday mysteries of life. A good suit of clothes and an unhesitating flow of eloquence were the only assets of which his victims could recall any traces when they came to compare notes, and these he had taken with him. His way was the breeze of the west, and at the same time, the punctilious courtesy of the south.

"It's the most remarkable discovery of the century," he had told Mr. Roundollar. "I have entire control of it. At first I pooh-poohed the idea just as everybody does when I talk about it. Then I sat down and thought of how incredible the project to establish the electric telegraph seemed. Then I drifted into contemplation of the marvels of the telephone, the phonograph and the X rays. I went and looked out of the window, from which I could see miles of wire devoted to the commercial utilization of ideas which had been at first hailed as the dreams of insanity. I fairly staggered as I felt the force of each successive blow to my skepticism, and then I said to myself: 'Perhaps there is something in it after all.'"

"To what do you refer?" inquired Mr. Roundollar, mildly.

"You won't laugh when I tell you, will you?"

"No. I will give you my word I will not."

"It's a flying-machine."

"I'm much obliged to you for telling me about it. But I don't believe I care to have anything to do with it."

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TAIL TWISTERS.

Cowboys in Venezuela Who Have No Need of Using the Lasso.

"On the upper waters of the Orinoco river in Venezuela is a region of high, open plains called llanos, where wild cattle graze in countless thousands," said Sidney Ascott, recently arrived in New York from South America. "Many of these cattle have no owners, but for the most part they bear one or another man's brand, President Crespo being the largest individual owner. The vaqueros that herd them have ways different from any other cowboys that I have seen in North or South America. The Venezuelan vaquero carries no lasso, and his saddle has no horn in front such as on the Mexican, the Texan and the Gaucho saddle serves as a belying pin for the lasso after the noose has been thrown about a creature's neck or legs. In other respects he is a regulation South American cowboy, with jacket, wide-brimmed hat, slashed trousers and a knife handy to get at. His horse is a wiry, nervous pony, more docile of temper than bronchos in general, and he rides him well. Slung from his saddle or tied about his body are several strong thongs of rope or leather, used in tying cattle, and sometimes a rope with which to picket his horse out to graze, though often the horse is merely hobbled by tying together his forelegs."

"When the Venezuelan cowboy wishes to catch a bull or cow for branding, or for any purpose, he rides alongside it, and, with horses and cattle on the dead run, stoops from his saddle, grasps the creature's tail, and, with a sharp, peculiar twist, sends the animal rolling on its back. From the force with which it falls the creature's horns almost invariably pin its head to the ground, giving the vaquero time to dismount and sit on its head, holding the animal helpless to rise, while a companion ties its legs. The cattle of the llanos are large and active, with sharp, widespread horns. A mounted man they fear, but a man on foot on a plain where they are in great danger from them. They do not attack him, but, moved by curiosity, they crowd about him until he is trampled to death."

"It is an exciting scene, the driving of the cattle selected for export aboard the steamers that come up the Orinoco for them. The water of this river deepens rapidly from the shore so that the boat can lie close to the bank. A chute is rigged from the bank to the boat, with fences on the shore converging to it in a V shape. The vaqueros hold the cattle together, and drive them on toward the chute. If one of the animals can be driven upon the chute the others press after, crowding one another along into the cattle quarters until the boat's load is made up. Ellis Grell, the cattle king of Venezuela, has a trained ox that is of great service in helping to get wild cattle aboard the boats. He is already within the fences when the herd is driven in, and he leads the way through the chute, the other cattle following. He passes through the cattle quarters until upon the afterdeck by a passage which is immediately closed behind him, while the others continue to file into the hold until it is filled."

"During the rainy season many cattle are drowned by sudden rises of the river. In the great inundation of October, 1892, when the Orinoco waters rose 92 feet—the highest rise recorded since the seventeenth century—so many cattle were drowned that their floating bodies stopped navigation on the river, the upward bound steamer having to lay up at Bolivar until the carcasses had drifted past. The captain of the steamer Caratol describes the appearance of the drowned cattle he encountered in parts of the river as that of vast herds swimming with the current. For weeks the air was poisoned with the stench of dead cattle caught among the trees of the overgrown banks. Turkeys, alligators, garfish, caribe fish gorged upon the carcasses, and vast numbers of vultures and buzzards came into the valley. What the birds and reptiles left the ants made way with on the subsidence of the waters."

"The ranchmen of the upper Orinoco are the best fighting men in Venezuela, and in the revolutions so frequent in that country the side they take up arms for is almost surely a winner. Living in a region where cattle and horses are plentiful and low in value, they have primitive and hospitable customs. Let a traveler arrive hungry at a ranch, and if meat is not already in the house a vaquero is sent out to knock an ox in the head. The animal's hide is taken off, a few choice cuts of meat taken, and the remainder of the carcass is left for the vultures. Equally primitive, and illustrative of the spirit of comity among the rancheros, is their method of traveling horseback between Bolivar and Caracas. The old Spanish road, a fairly well-constructed highway, connects the two cities. The ranchero, starting, for instance, from Bolivar, with one horse, rides the animal until it is tired out, then catches another horse from the herds that feed along the road, and turns his own loose to find its way back home. The same is done with a third horse when a second is tired down, and this thing is repeated throughout the journey, each horse turned loose finding its way back to its own range in the course of a few days. The journey of 400 miles is thus quickly made, with the advantage to the traveler of fresh remounts as often as he may wish."—N. Y. Sun.

Spring Repartee.

"You," said the man, "are not so hot."

The cucumber, thus rudely addressed, managed to remain cool and replied:

"And you are not so many as you might be."

Then, to sustain its premise, it doubled the man up.—Typographical Journal.

Advice from the Heart.

Barrow—That's a dainty wheel you have there, old man. I'll take a spin on it some day. By the way, what kind of a wheel do you think I ought to ride?

Marrow—One of your own.—Brooklyn Life.

Talks by the Blackboard.

A Kansas City barber has put up a blackboard on which he daily bulletins the fresh local and general news brought in by customers and caught over the telephone.

Gumbo Patos.

There is much in understanding the peculiarities of the gumbo patos. There is no rule to go by. It is either instinct or hard study that solves the problem. The other day a Creole had a man arrested for stealing a cow. He was put on the witness stand and interrogated about the bovine.

"To whom did the cow belong which this defendant was trying to sell?" asked the lawyer retained by the deposed.

"The face of the deposed was a blank. "From whom did the man steal the cow he tried to sell?" reiterated the lawyer.

The witness shrugged his shoulders in token of his inability to understand. Then one of the audience spoke to the lawyer.

"Let me ask the witness about the cow," he said. "I can make him understand."

The necessary permission was given, and the man who knew it all took his stand in front of the witness.

"The cow," yelled he, "who she be?" The witness smiled broadly as he answered in tones most positive:

"She be me."—N. O. Times-Democrat.

—Lots of people have the good fortune to get money-making jobs, and never save a dollar.—Washington Democrat.

Miss Katie Knoblauch has succeeded to the management of the Metamora Herald, on the marriage of her sister Henrietta.

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wanted in exchange for Vehicles and Bicycles. We will also cash prices and trade merchandise on the spot. J. G. STARK & SON, Lincoln square. June 16-47

THE Blue Grass Carriage shop. Your vehicle insured and stored at my risk free of cost. Repairs at the very lowest prices. For spring use. Occasions of good dry room, and I want one to two hundred vehicles on these terms. Corner of East Main and Franklin streets. Jan 4-47

RHEUMATISM CURED—For the past nine years I have suffered intensely with rheumatism and neuritis. The last attack was so bad that I was unable to get out of bed. A friend told me of the Cerebrodine capsules without cessation. To my surprise they cured me in a short time. I am now able to do all the work I wish to do. Each bid must be accompanied by the name of the person who suffers with rheumatism or neuritis. R. O. ROSEN, Architect, Decatur, Ill. April 26-47

THE "Dollar Special" cabinet safe is still being made. \$1.00 per dozen. Proofs shown. Agents and guarantors guaranteed. Days and hours in getting good negatives. East End Gallery, 1072 E. Riverside St. Dec 30-dw47

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Clarissa Devore, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Clarissa Devore, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the August term, on the first Monday in August next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Dated the 13th day of June, 1897.

ALBERT H. COPE, Administrator.

June 14-dw47

Dr. T. S. Hoskins, Dentist, Opera House Block, ground floor. Jan 24-dw47

People's Column.

Advertisements. Forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 25 cents per week, payable invariably in advance.

For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

WANTED.

WANTED—At once, two bright, ambitious young ladies, native of this country, party through the principal cities of this country, business intelligent and respectable. Expenses advanced. Address A. this office. July 6-dw47

WANTED—Reputable persons to assist in organizing for a fraternal society 18 years old, which admits both sexes; liberal compensation to right persons. Address, with references, JACOB APOUL, 521 Taylor street, Chicago. July 1-dw47

BIDS WANTED—I will receive bids up to noon on July 1, 1897, for the boiler in the annex to the city hall, which is now placed in the annex. Address W. H. SPENCE, Chairman of County Board Committee on Public Buildings, Riverside Hotel, Decatur, Ill. June 18-dw47

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give you the best of service. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 906. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19-47

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Four room house, pantry and bath, new kitchen, newly papered, will sell at a sacrifice. Call at No. 1750 North Clinton street, near phone 1855.—27-47

FOR SALE—5 acres of land, good 4-room new house, new barn, etc., on gravel road, east end of Decatur, \$1700 buys it; possession given immediately. Call on J. H. BRUCE, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-47

MONEY TO LOAN.

FARM LOANS—SIX PER CENT. INTEREST—Lowest commission. Repayment by weekly or monthly payments. Don't contract for a loan until you get my terms. C. E. GIVEN, 606 Millikin Bank Building. Oct 28-dw47

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May 20-47

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ROOMS 702-4

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DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

I HAVE now on hand to loan \$700 on city property, \$1000 and \$1500 on farm property. I also have for trade for farm property a fine new electric light house, with bath room, electric light fixtures, gas, oil and water hot and cold water fixtures—on best street in Decatur, on E. E. F. A. C. of J. H. BRUCE, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-47

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SALESMAN—\$5 a day. No canvassing. No deliveries. No collections. Samples free. Call on exclusive. MRS. 309 Market st. Philadelphia. Feb 17-47

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To July 10, 97.

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From 25 Cents to \$2.50 a Set.

THE FINEST LINE OF BELTS

We have ever had; not the cheap kind,
but sure enough *Leather Belts*, with
Leather Covered Buckles, in all lengths.

We can Please You we are Sure.

PLEASE INSPECT THE LINES.

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Our House has been Established Over 20 Years at
156 EAST MAIN STREET.

Made by Hanan & Son, New
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Retail Stores in the principal
cities of America, also Paris,
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**THE FRANK H. COLE
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148 E. Main St., Decatur, Ill.

Now in Men's Russia Calf, in Wine and Dark Tan, also
Black Vici Kid, Patent Leather and Enamel Leather,
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We will carry Hanan & Son's Shoes for Women After August, 1897.

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Have You Seen?

Those Cool NEGLIGEE SHIRTS at Anthony's
for only \$1.00, with colored collar bands, sep-
arate cuffs.

That **LIGHT UNDERWEAR** for Men at 24c is a
corker.

Great line Cool **SHIRT WAISTS** from 25c up.

Silk Mitts, Fans, Gauze Vests, Umbrellas and Corsets

H. C. Anthony

DECATUR, ILL.

Bothered with Roaches or Water Bugs?

Then come in and get a box of
Mexican Roach Food. We guar-
antee it to kill all the Roaches
and Water Bugs in your house.
Money refunded if it doesn't do it.

KING'S DRUG STORE,
Cor. Main and Water Sts.

LOCAL NEWS.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.

A chicken fry will be announced soon
by the M. E. church people at Mt. Zion.
Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made
by Jacob Keck.

Cubandla best 5 cent cigar at Irwin's.
At 7 o'clock this morning it was 80 in
the shade at the Republican office.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of
bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 23-dtf
Dead Shot paper knocks the flies. Sold
at Irwin's drug store.

Extremely low prices on buggies and
carriages for a short time only. Leon &
Morris, 138 East Wood street.—28-d&wtf

Oats will ripen one week too early if
the present heat and dry weather con-
tinues. This tends to make the grain
light.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Black,
living near Mt. Zion, July 4, a son.
Great joy with parents and grandparents
over the arrival of the young patriot.

The Wheelmen's club members will pic-
nic next Sunday at Spangler's bridge.
The start from the club rooms will be at
8 a. m.

Concert singer piano the Reed & Son's
piano. It is always in demand because
its tone is clear, sweet and perfect. The
instrument is on sale at the C. B. Pres-
cott music house.

Blue Mound Leader: Miss Anna Fos-
ter, of Decatur, who had been engaged to
teach in the Blue Mound schools the com-
ing year, has resigned to accept a position
as deputy county treasurer.

Wait for the grand excursion to Nag-
ara Falls over the Wabash new line, July
29, 1897. Only \$8.50 round trip. For
particulars, apply to any Wabash ticket
agent.

"The Telegram" pleased a large crowd
who went to Riverside last night to es-
cape the stifling heat. The company is
steadily making friends and business im-
proves nightly. Tonight a strong vaude-
ville show will be put on. The principal
feature of the performance will be the ac-
robatic specialty of O. W. Hall, this being
his last appearance here for some time.
New plays are to be added right along,
among them "The Village Blacksmith" and
"Miss Warthorn."

WILL MEET TO-NIGHT.

The City Council Water Committee—Sav-
ing of \$5,000 Promised.

A called meeting of the city council
water works committee will be held this
evening, at which it is expected valuable
information will be given in reference to
a plan of saving \$5000 in fuel and service
at the waterworks. Mr. Daigh, an ex-
pert engineer from the Allis company,
Milwaukee, will confer with the commit-
tee. He agrees with Mayor Taylor, that
by making certain changes in the ma-
chinery at the works, considerable waste
power can be utilized to the end that bet-
ter service will be given, and money now
needlessly spent may be saved. In a gen-
eral way it is said that \$5000 a year can be
saved to the city by the expenditure of
about \$5000 to make the changes. It is
an important question, and no doubt the
committee and council will give the propo-
sition careful consideration.

Death of a Child.

George L. Day, the son of Mr. and Mrs.
Thomas Day, died of heart trouble last
night at the family home, No. 900 East
Leadland avenue, aged three and one half
years. The funeral will be held from the
St. Patrick's Catholic church tomorrow
afternoon and the burial will be at the
Catholic cemetery.

Passengers Take No Ice.

All children over six years of age will
be charged full fare. In cases of more
than one child half fare will be charged.
D. S. Shellabarger, President.

W. L. Ferguson, General Manager.

Music at the Park.

Goodman's full band will give another
of their popular concerts at Riverside
park Sunday afternoon. Several new
selections will be given.—9-dtf

Births.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hill,
West Packard street, July 8, a daughter.
To Mr. and Mrs. John Miller, 1756
North Broadway, Thursday, July 8, a son.
To Charles E. Schroll and wife, 820
West North street, July 8, a son.

Made Corporals.

Three of the privates of Company B,
Ill. N. G., of this city, have been made
corporals Sam May, O. M. Johnson and
Will Lighthouse passed satisfactory exami-
nations and will now wear the chevrons.

Found a Watch.

Will Post, while fishing at the river
last night found a small gold watch. The
owner of the watch could not be discovered
but Post will hold it until someone
claims it.

THE HEAT AT HOME.

Prostrations in Decatur—Nine
Days of Intense Tor-
ridness.

MAN AND BEAST ARE AFFECTED.

A Few Deaths—Many People Sick—
Business Partly Suspended—Lit-
tle or No Breeze Any-
where in Town.

Old Sol is still on duty making it hot
for us, and the way he is putting in his
time wins the admiration and praise of
the ice, soda water, ice cream and electric
fan men, while (on the quiet) he is being
anathemized everywhere by those who
have to sweat and sizzle and suffer.

This is the ninth day of the continued
hot weather and in consequence there is
much suffering in the city and country.
The highest temperature was recorded on
Thursday—99 in the shade at noon—and
today seems about as hot. There has been
no breeze of consequence for three days.
The result of the torridness is shown in
the death record, and by the increased
number of prostrations and sick people.

Harvey Baker died suddenly from the
heat and last evening Miss Mooney died
from the same cause. Many infants are
in danger of death, due to the heat. Ernest
Mallette, the second miller at the
Pratt & Co. cereal mill; Harrison Tut-
tle, who delivers milk for Mr. Marsh, the
dairyman, and Grant Hise, of 460 Spring
avenue, were prostrated by the heat last
evening and each required the attention
of physicians. Ladies at their homes yester-
day felt the heat as never before. A.
W. Williams, superintendent of streets,
found it too hot yesterday to work the city
torso and he called all the men off. Har-
rison Baker, whose brother died of heat
prostration, was nearly overcome yester-
day, while preparing the funeral. He
could scarcely talk and had to be taken
home, where he recovered. W. H. Stoner
required the attention of a physician.

Mrs. W. C. Burley, wife of Steward Bur-
ley at the poor farm, fell in a faint at the
farm house.

Horses are suffering from the heat in
the country and also in the city. Col.
Machias horse that went down Tuesday,
is dead. Six horses died at Warrensburg,
the property of Randall Sturges, J. J.
Buckley, John Bender, Charles Francis,
Edward Jones and F. H. Mooney. Two
died near Mechanicsburg. Eli Urey lost
one near Mt. Zion, and two more are
prostrated. Nine died near Taylorville.

John V. Birks, of 1145 North Edward
street, was in the western part of the
county yesterday calling on a farmer
friend. The farmer was bragging about a
splendid mare he had, and her colt.
No money could buy the mare. In the
afternoon the man went into the corn-
field with the mare, putting her at work.
She had been exposed to the penetrating
rays of the sun but a short time when
the mare fell over and died in a very short
time. The heat seemed to act like a bolt
of lightning. The animal shook her feet
and tossed about like a chicken with its
head cut off, and then as suddenly col-
lapsed.

HOTTEST DAY KNOWN

In This Locality for Many Years—Over 100
Degrees in the Shade This Afternoon.

Today is the hottest day known in this
locality for many years. According to
the government thermometers kept by
Prof. Conradt the temperature at 2
o'clock this afternoon was 100.2 degrees
in the shade. At that time of the day
the heat is generally at the top notch. It
is several degrees hotter than it was yester-
day and yesterday the people thought
was about as bad as they could bear. The
heat this year is much greater than it was
last year. The hottest day each year for
the past three years and the highest tem-
perature reached was as follows:

1894—100 degrees on June 14.
1895—100 degrees on June 2.
1896—95 degrees on July 29.

Everyone today was living in the hopes
that the predictions that showers and
cooler weather for tonight would turn out
to be correct.

Later—At 8 o'clock it was 101.

Heat Elsewhere.

At Bloomington the mercury rose to
104. One man died and a number of per-
sons were overcome.

At Warsaw, Ind., for three successive
days the thermometer has reached 100.

There was one fatality.

At Cairo two deaths from heat occurred
within the last twenty four hours.

At Oakbrook, Wis., the thermometer reg-
istered 101 at 2 p. m. One person died,
and there have been three deaths during
the week. Street work and building have
come to a total suspension. There is
much sickness.

At Indianapolis two deaths and four-
teen serious prostrations, with one driven
insane, made Thursday's record of heat
results on humanity.

At Wabash, Ind., the thermometer
went to 104 in the shade. Workmen ex-
posed to the sun were obliged to quit.

At St. Paul there was one death, six
prostrations, maximum official tempera-
ture 94, and the official temperature at 7

o'clock 93, is the brief record of yester-
day's heat.

At Burlington, Iowa, there have been
from two to four prostrations a day for a
week. Yesterday there were two, one
fatal. Work has been suspended in mills
and factories.

At Richmond, Ind., three prostrations
from heat, the thermometer at 98 in the
shade, and horses and cattle dying, tell of
conditions.

At Valparaiso, Ind., the thermometer
registered 104 and eleven cases of sun
stroke resulted.

At Champaign it was 100. Four sewer
men were prostrated. At the Big Four
shops five men quit work. Berry pick-
ers were driven from the field. Two fat
hogs died.

THE REPUBLICAN BANNER FLAG.

Formally Presented by Hon. I. R. Mills
Yesterday to the Milan Town-
ship Republicans.

The Republican banner flag of Macon
county, the gift of States Attorney Mills
to the Republicans of the township or
precinct casting the largest per cent of
their vote, estimated on the vote cast at
the next preceding presidential election,
was formally presented yesterday to the
Republicans of Milan township at a pic-
nic gotten up for that purpose and held
in William Arnold's grove, eight miles
southeast of Macon. It has before been
published that at the last judicial election
Milan township Republicans polled 94
per cent of the vote cast for McKinley in
1896 and were awarded the flag. The
flag has also been described. It is a beau-
tiful one, costing \$100.

A. H. Hill, chairman of the Republican
organization in the township, as soon as
it was known the flag was to be present-
ed to his township, proceeded to arrange
a picnic for its reception, and fixed Thurs-
day, July 8, as the day. Mr. Hill invited
a number of Republicans of Decatur to
be present on the occasion. Those who
attended were Hon. I. R. Mills, Judge E.
P. Vail, Capt. Geo. S. Durfee, W. F. Cal-
houn, County Clerk J. M. Dodd, Alexan-
der McIntosh, S. W. Johns, J. R. Fitz-
gerald, E. S. McDonald and family and
Henry Wise and family.

The distance from Decatur to Arnold's grove
is nearly 18 miles, the roads not overly
good and the excessive heat added to the
distance and condition of the roads made
the trip a hard one, especially on the
horses. There was scarcely a breath of
air stirring. The grounds selected for the
picnic are well adapted to that purpose,
being a large grove of maples, and those who
attended the picnic fared fairly well as to
protection from heat, after they reached
the grove. Everybody in the township
had been invited to be present to receive
the Republican banner flag and at least
300 had arrived by 10 o'clock. The Dal-
ton City band and a glee club were there
to furnish music. A Christian Endeavor
society ran a refreshment stand and serv-
ed lemonade, ice cream and other luxu-
ries. There was plenty of ice water on
the ground and in short, everything was
done to make the affair a pleasant one.

Flags were mingled with the branches of
the trees and swung from every available
spot.
At 11 o'clock Chairman Hill called the
people to order and after music by the
band, followed by the choir, E. S. Mc-
Donald was called on for a speech. He
talked for 30 minutes about the inspira-
tion of the day, commending the con-
stanty of the Republicans of Milan
township, while the demagogue was
around asking for the prosperity promised
in case McKinley was elected. He said
that until a tariff bill had been enacted
that would stop the wholesale importation
of goods made abroad that we ought to
make for ourselves, we could not expect
the way to substantial prosperity to open.
At the conclusion of his remarks Mr.
Hill announced that dinner was in order.
It was a basket picnic and soon dinners
were spread everywhere that would have
done credit to the best hotels in the land,
and the visitors were invited over and
over again to share in the dinners of dif-
ferent families. It was demonstrated
that while the Republicans of Milan
know how to get to the polls, they also
know how to make things pleasant for
visitors.

At 2 o'clock the people were again as-
sembled. By this time many more had
arrived and others continued to arrive all
afternoon as the picnic was extended into
the evening. After the music, Hon. I.
R. Mills, in a beautiful speech touching
the subject, presented the banner to
Chairman Hill and through him to the
Republicans of the township and also
presented a copy of the conditions upon
which the flag would be contested for in
the future. Mr. Hill accepted the flag in
a few brief remarks, and following him
the Rev. Mr. Meyer made an address of
acceptance. Following these ceremonies
there were speeches by W. F. Calhoun,
Judge Vail, Alex. McIntosh and J. R.
Fitzgerald. The speeches were all good
and were highly enjoyed by the people.

The Republicans of Milan township
were wonderfully inspired and very proud
of themselves as the result of the meeting
and what they had done, and all along
the line one could hear the Milanites re-
mark that somebody would have to do
some hard fighting before they got the
flag away from Milan township. There
was plenty of evidence at the picnic to
show that Mr. Mills' idea of a banner flag
to inspire the Republicans of the county,
was a good one and will bear good fruit.

Theodore Becker, near Pekin, had a
great gash cut in his head by a bucket
falling into a well which he was digging.

PERSONAL MENTION.

—J. B. Buillard and family went to
Farmer City today to visit friends.

—Mrs. L. H. Martin and two children
left today for Brown, Ill., to visit friends.

—Mrs. John E. Burne and children
have gone to Ohio to visit friends.

—Mrs. Wilkison, of Chicago, is the
guest of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Ahrens.

—J. M. Patterson went to Keokuk,
Iowa, yesterday on a business trip.

—Will Starr has taken a position with
the Central Union Telephone company.

—Dr. O. T. Eddy, who has been visit-
ing relatives at Shelbyville, has returned
home.

—Mrs. Philip Reubenman is sick at her
home on North Water street.

—George Keller, Frank Reinhold and
G. W. Swick attended the races at Peoria
yesterday.

—Mrs. E. S. Roe, of Chicago, is in the
city visiting the family of James Free-
man.

—Prof. Harry Bumstead and wife, of
New Haven, Conn., are in the city visit-
ing Dr. and Mrs. S. J. Bumstead.

—Ex-Mayor and Mrs. D. H. Conklin
will leave tomorrow for Maasatawa park,
Mich., to remain during the heated term.

—Miss Lenice Crume, who has been in
the city visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Pol-
lock, left today for her home in Peru, Ind.

—Superintendent Magee, of the Wabash,
passed through the city this morning in
his private car. He was on his way to
Chicago.

—Mrs. S. A. McWhorter and children,
of Omaha, Neb., who have been in the
city visiting Dr. and Mrs. James L. Bu-
vans, left today for Chicago, where they
will join Mr. McWhorter and go to New
York city. They will sail for Europe on
July 14 on the steamship St. Louis.

IN CASES OF SUNSTROKE.

Rules for Treatment of Those Who Become
Overheated.

It isn't necessary to worry about sun-
stroke in this climate but now and then a
victim is plucked off by the rays of the sun
and it may be well to know the symp-
toms and the restoratives. The following
rules for the guidance of the public should
be remembered:

There are two distinct forms of sun-
stroke and their treatment is distinctly
different. In one form, "heat exhaustion,"
which is the milder of the two, the
skin is pale, cold and clammy, and the
pulse is feeble. In this form the patients
usually recover, though death sometimes
ensues. The treatment is to remove the
patient to a cool place or at least out of
the direct rays of the sun. Loosen all
clothing, especially at the neck. Dash
cold water on the head and chest, apply
spirits of ammonia and hartshorn to the
nostrils. In some cases it may be neces-
sary to give small quantities of alcoholic
stimulants.

In the other form, heat stroke, or inso-
lation, the symptoms are much more seri-
ous. The face is purplish, the eyes blood-
shot, the veins swollen and corded and
the skin dry, hot and burning to the
touch. The effects of the sun seem to be
most marked on the brain and spinal
marrow. The brain becomes so heated
that the chest center controlling the pro-
duction of heat is affected and the tem-
perature rises from the healthy one of 98.5
degrees to as high as 100 and over.

The condition is so serious that a phy-
sician must be called as soon as possible.
While awaiting the doctor's arrival much
good can be done and lives oftentimes
saved by the application of ice to the head
and spinal column. It will do more good
if broken up into small pieces and placed
in cloth or rubber bags, but in the absence
of these pieces of ice can be placed about
the head and neck.

Stands at the Head.

Aug. J. Bogel, the leading druggist of
Shreveport, La., says: "Dr. King's New
Discovery is the only thing that cures my
cough, and it is the best seller I have."
J. F. Campbell, merchant of
Safford, Ariz., writes: "Dr. King's New
Discovery is all that is claimed for it; it
never fails, and is a sure cure for Con-
sumption, Coughs and Colds. I cannot
say enough for its merits." Dr. King's
New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs
and Colds is not an experiment. It
has been tried for a quarter of a centu-
ry, and today stands at the head. It
never disappoints. Free trial bottles at
the drug stores of J. F. King and C. F.
Shilling.

Emma Oschner of Joliet, aged 12 years,
was instantly killed by coming in contact
with a guy wire of the Economy Light
and Power Company when a current of
1000 volts was passing through.

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THE KILLING

The Temperature S
Change for the
the Large

THERE ARE NUMEROUS

Some Prostrated in C
Died Today—Thr
Morning in Pitt
Two in Cin

Cincinnati, July 10.—
many prostrations fr
Temperature 93 at noon

At Pittsbu

Pittsburg, July 10.—
Michael Barilo, John
from the effects of the
temperature at 1 p. m.

At Dayton
Dayton, July 10.—Th
93 at 1 p. m. today.

At Peoria
Peoria, Ill., July 10
at 11 o'clock this morn

Heat Broken
Kansas City, Mo., J
and western Kansas we
ed with rain last night
spell.

At Indian
Indianapolis, July
and several prostrations
red here today. The
Mahow, Dora Robinson
as "Oklahoma Hill."

very great this after-
noon. This afternoon
panted by cooling bre
cure down to a confor

Prostrated Yesterd
Chicago, July 10.—
Syk. Fred Bender, of
heat yesterday, died to-
day, though several d
yesterday, is still very
tions are numerous.

The following addi-
reported during the da-
kak, Thomas Kirk, Ch-
neesky, Michael McLau-
Walsh. The health of
a result of the long
the death rate has incre-
ly. Especially among
ferors from chronic dis-

Hot Weather
Washington, July 10
or bulletin issued at-
ing says the intense h
days in the central val-
to the stagnation of
which has been bro
movement of the trou
from Kansas to the
the advance of the
from the north Pacific
Sioux City and Concor
twenty degrees in 24
ble this cooler weath
lower lake regions this
Atlantic states. Sunda
cooler weather for sev-

AT SAN FRANCISCO.
No Increase in Atten-
Funders Conven-
ing.—The F

San Francisco, July
increase in the size of
morning's session of
deavor convention at
lon. Rev. L. Hill, of
sided. Devotional o-
ducted by Rev. D. C.
field, Ill. Giles Kelle
Cal., delivered an ad-
ing Society of Christi
which a symposium
state secretaries on
Committee Work in
More Effective!"

Today's program fo-
deavor is as follows:
Early morning pray
various churches.
Mechanic's pavilion
devotional exercises,
by state secretaries, p-
from trustees and P-
dress.

Woodward's pavil-
devotional exercises,
by state presidents, p-
from trustees and Ge-
Open air meeting at
noon. At four speak-
Recreation and sign
afternoon.

State receptions an-
ing at the different
No definite figures ar
total registration, b-
that something over
ed their names to the
delegates.